## Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)

# Instructions for Income Eligibility Application for CACFP Child Care Centers and Head Start

Complete the *Income Eligibility Application for CACFP Child Care Centers and Head Start* for **each enrolled child** using the instructions below. Sign the application and return it to the child care center. For questions or assistance with completing the application, contact the person below.

Name and title:	
Phone and e-mail::	

#### Part 1 — Child's information

All households must complete this part.

- 1. Print the name of the child enrolled in the center, and indicate the child's age and birth date (month, day and year).
- 2. Child's normal child care schedule: Check (☑) all days of the week the child will normally attend the center.
- 3. **Child's normal hours of care**: Indicate the times of day the child will normally attend the center, and circle AM (morning) or PM (afternoon).
- 4. **Normal meal services provided to child**: Check (☑) the meals the child will normally be served while in care at the center.

### Part 2A — Participants who are categorically eligible as free for CACFP benefits

Complete this part only if your household receives Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) (formerly known as Food Stamps) or Temporary Family Assistance (TFA) benefits, or your household includes a foster child. **Do not complete part 2B. Sign and date the application in part 3.** 

- 1. List the current SNAP case number or the TFA case number for the child.
- 2. Check ( ) the box if the child is a foster child who has been placed by a state or local agency.

#### Part 2B — All other households

Complete this part if you did not complete part 2B.

- 1. Write the names of everyone in your household including parents, grandparents, all children, other relatives and unrelated people who live in your household.
- 2. Write the amount of income (the amount before taxes or anything else is taken out) received last month for each household member and where it came from, such as earnings, welfare, pensions and other income. The table below provides examples of types of income to report. If any amount last month was more or less than usual, write that person's usual income.
- 3. An adult household member must sign and date this application in part 3, and provide the last four digits of their social security number.

Income to Report			
Earnings from work	Public assistance/alimony/ child support	Pensions/retirement/ all other income	
<ul> <li>Salary, wages, cash bonuses</li> <li>Net income from self-employment (farm or business)</li> <li>Strike benefits</li> <li>If you are in the U.S. Military:</li> <li>Basic pay and cash bonuses (do not include combat pay, FSSA, or privatized housing allowances)</li> <li>Allowances for off-base housing, food, and clothing</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Unemployment benefits</li> <li>Worker's compensation</li> <li>Supplemental Security Income (SSI)</li> <li>Cash assistance from state or local government</li> <li>Alimony payments</li> <li>Child support payments</li> <li>Veteran's benefits</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Social Security (including railroad retirement and black lung benefits)</li> <li>Private Pensions or disability</li> <li>Income from trusts or estates</li> <li>Annuities</li> <li>Investment income</li> <li>Earned interest</li> <li>Rental income</li> <li>Regular cash payments from outside household</li> </ul>	

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#### Part 3 — Contact information, signature, and social security number

All households must complete this part.

- 1. An adult household member must sign and date this form.
- 2. If you complete part 2A and list a SNAP or TFA number, or the child is a foster child, you do **not** need to provide the last four digits of the adult household member's social security number.
- 3. If you complete part 2B, the adult household member who signs the application must include the **last four digits** of their social security number. If this person does not have a social security number, check (☑) the box next to the statement, "I do not have a SSN."

#### Part 4 — Racial/ethnic identity (optional)

Complete this part if you wish.

The CACFP facility is required to ask for information about your children's race and ethnicity. This information is important and helps ensure the CACFP facility is fully serving their community. Responding to this section is **optional** and does not affect your children's eligibility for CACFP meals.

- 1. Check one ethnicity, either "Hispanic Latino" or "Not Hispanic/Latino."
- 2. Check one or more races (Asian, White, Black or African American, American Indian or Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander)



For information on the CACFP, visit the Connecticut State Department of Education's (CSDE) CACFP website or contact the CACFP staff in the CSDE's Bureau of Health/Nutrition, Family Services and Adult Education, 450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 504, Hartford, CT 06103-1841. This document is available at https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/SDE/Nutrition/CACFP/Forms/IncElig/Income\_Eligibility\_Application\_CACFP\_Centers\_Instructions.pdf.

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(2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or

(3) email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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